

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) A method of facilitating person-to-person commerce over a network, the method comprising:

retrieving ~~one or more~~ thumbnail images of associated with items for sale ~~from a first site~~, the thumbnail images created based on images retrieved from a plurality of sites, and the retrieving of the images being performed utilizing information including specified locations of the plurality of sites;

aggregating the retrieved thumbnail images; and

presenting the aggregated thumbnail images on a web page at a ~~second web~~ site.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein ~~said the~~ presenting of the aggregated thumbnail images comprises:

determining a predefined page format;

retrieving item information corresponding to ~~the~~ each of the items to be displayed, the item information including a thumbnail image corresponding to ~~the~~ an item; and

populating the predefined page format based on the retrieved item information.

21. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein a given one of the thumbnail images presented on the web page at the ~~second web~~ site is presented with at least one of the following:

a title associated with an item ~~with which~~ corresponding to the given thumbnail image corresponds;

a current bid on the item corresponding to the given thumbnail image; and

an auction ending time for the item corresponding to the given thumbnail image.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19, wherein the ~~thumbnail image is based on a~~ images include user-specified image images.
23. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying items to facilitate person-to-person online trading, the method comprising:

~~accessing-retrieving~~ a first thumbnail image associated with a first item for sale, the first thumbnail image created based on a first image at a first remote site, the first image associated with first information including a specified location of the first remote site;

~~accessing-retrieving~~ a second thumbnail image associated with a second item for sale, the second thumbnail image created based ~~upon-on~~ a second image at a second remote site, the second image associated with second information including a specified location of the second remote site; and

~~combining-aggregating~~ the retrieved first and second thumbnail images ~~onto a web page for presentation at a third remote site; and~~

presenting the aggregated first and second thumbnail images on a web page at a third site.

24. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein ~~said the presentation~~ presenting of the first and second thumbnail images comprises:
- determining a predefined page format;
- retrieving item information corresponding to ~~the~~ each of the items to be displayed,
- the item information including a thumbnail image corresponding to ~~the an~~ an item; and
- populating the predefined page format based on the retrieved item information.
25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 23, wherein either one of the thumbnail images presented on the web page at the ~~second~~ third site is presented with at least one of the following:
- a title associated with an item ~~with which~~ corresponding to a given one of the thumbnail images ~~corresponds~~;
- a current bid on the item corresponding to the given one of the thumbnail images;
- and
- an auction ending time for the item corresponding to the given one of the thumbnail images.
26. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying items, the method comprising:
- retrieving from a database a first thumbnail image associated with a first item for sale, the first thumbnail image created based on a first image at a first remote site;

retrieving from the database a second thumbnail image associated with a second item for sale, the second thumbnail image created based ~~upon~~on a second image at a second remote site; and

storing the first and second thumbnail images on a local site; and

responsive to a query, ~~combining~~aggregating the first and second thumbnail images ~~onto~~on a web page for presentation at a ~~third remote web~~ site.

27. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 26, wherein ~~said the presentation~~ presenting of the first and second thumbnail images comprises:

determining a predefined page format;

retrieving item information corresponding to each of the items to be displayed, the item information including a thumbnail image corresponding to ~~the~~an item; and

populating the predefined page format based on the retrieved item information.

28. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 26, wherein ~~either~~a given one of the thumbnail images presented on the web page at the ~~second web~~ site is presented with at least one of the following:

a title associated with an item ~~with which~~corresponding to a given one of the thumbnail images ~~corresponds~~;

a current bid on the item corresponding to the given one of the thumbnail images; and

an auction ending time for the item corresponding to the given one of the thumbnail images.

29-40. (Cancelled)

41. (Currently Amended) A method performed by a marketplace computer for facilitating electronic commerce over a network ~~between a plurality of seller and buyer computers~~ sellers and buyers accessing the network via computers, the method comprising:

~~presenting a registration web page to a remote first seller computer over the network;~~

~~receiving a first registration for a first product item for sale from the a first seller computer over the network, the first registration including a first product description of the first item for sale and a first image location of the first product item for sale, the first image location referencing the first seller computer or a third computer on the network, and the first image being in one of a plurality of predetermined source image formats;~~

~~presenting a registration web page to a remote second seller computer over the network;~~

~~receiving a second registration for a second product item for sale from the a second seller computer over the network, the second registration including a second product description of the second item for sale and a second image location of the second product item for sale, the second image location referencing the second seller computer or a fourth computer on~~

~~the network, and the second image being in one of a plurality of
predetermined source image formats;~~

retrieving a first thumbnail image corresponding to the first image item for sale;

retrieving a second thumbnail image corresponding to the second image item for
sale;

~~creating a web page including aggregating the retrieved first and second
thumbnail images; and~~

presenting the aggregated first and second thumbnail images on a web page to a
buyer computer at a web site.

42. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, wherein ~~said creating a web page
including the first and second thumbnail images the presenting of the aggregated
first and second thumbnail images~~ comprises:

determining a predefined page format;

retrieving product-item information corresponding to ~~the first and second products
each of the items to be displayed, the product-item~~ information including a
thumbnail image corresponding to ~~the first and the second products an
item~~; and

populating the predefined page format based on the retrieved product information.

43. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, wherein a given one of the
thumbnail images presented on the web page at the web site is presented with at
least one of the following:

a title associated with ~~the product~~ an item with which corresponding to the given thumbnail image ~~corresponds~~;

a current bid on the ~~product~~ item corresponding to the given thumbnail image;
and

an auction ending time for the product corresponding to the given thumbnail image.

44. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, wherein ~~at least one of the first thumbnail image and the second thumbnail image~~ images is based on a include user-specified ~~image~~ images.
45. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 41, wherein the web page further includes ~~the first and second product descriptions~~ description of the first item for sale and the description of the second item for sale.

Claims 46-58 (Cancelled)

59. (New) The method of claim 19, wherein the information further includes a description of each of the items for sale.
60. (New) The method of claim 19, wherein the information includes user-specified information.
61. (New) The method of claim 41, further comprises:
- presenting the first registration to the first seller computer over the network; and
- presenting the second registration to the second seller computer over the network.

62. (New) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon data representing sets of instructions which, when executed by a machine, cause the machine to:
- retrieve thumbnail images associated with items for sale, the thumbnail images created based on images retrieved from a plurality of sites, and the retrieving of the images being performed utilizing information including specified locations of the plurality of sites;
- aggregate the retrieved thumbnail images; and
- present the aggregated thumbnail images on a web page at a web site.
63. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 62, sets of instructions which, when executed by the machine, further cause the machine to:
- determine a predefined page format;
- retrieve item information corresponding to each of the items to be displayed, the item information including a thumbnail image corresponding to an item;
- and
- populate the predefined page format based on the retrieved item information.
64. (New) The machine-readable of claim 62, wherein a given one of the thumbnail images presented on the web page at the web site is presented with at least one of the following:
- a title associated with an item corresponding to the given thumbnail image;
- a current bid on the item corresponding to the given thumbnail image; and
- an auction ending time for the item corresponding to the given thumbnail image.

65. (New) The machine-readable of claim 62, wherein the thumbnail images include user-specified images.
66. (New) The machine-readable of claim 62, wherein the information further includes description of each of the items for sale.
67. (New) A system for facilitating electronic commerce over a network between a plurality of sellers and a plurality of buyer computers, the system comprising:
a marketplace computer to

retrieve from a database a first thumbnail image associated with a first
item for sale, the first thumbnail image created based on a first
image at a first seller computer,

retrieve from the database a second thumbnail image associated with a
second item for sale, the second thumbnail image created based on
a second image at a second seller computer, and

aggregating the first and second thumbnail images; and

a buyer computer, coupled with the marketplace computer, to present the
aggregated first and second thumbnail images on a web page at a web site.
68. (New) The system of claim 67, further comprises a local site coupled with the marketplace computer, the local site to store the first and second thumbnail images.

69. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the presenting of the aggregated first and second thumbnail images is performed in response to a query from a potential buyer.
70. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the first thumbnail image comprises a first user-specified image.
71. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the second thumbnail image comprises a second user-specified image.
72. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the marketplace computer comprises a server computer.
73. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the first and second seller computers comprise one or more of the following: client computers and server computers.
74. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the buyer computer comprises a client computer.
75. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the web page on the web site further comprises a description of the first item for sale.
76. (New) The system of claim 67, wherein the web page on the web site further comprises a description of the second item for sale.